M., 58; 12 M., 60; 3 P. M., 60; 6 P. 66; 9 P. M., 60; 12 midnight, 5%

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### WARM FIGHT IN MADISON WARD

Proclamation Forces Finally Win Out.

WITHERS' ABLE SPEECH

Explains New Instrument Section by Section.

HE IS CHEERED THROUGHOUT

Pledges of Richmond Delegates Were

All Qualified-Spirited Fight in the Convention To-Day on the Final Settlement of Main Question-Proclaimers Are Confident.

The mass-meeting of Madison Ward Democrats, held in Monticello Hall last night, declared in favor of proclaiming the new Constitution after a very able speech in explanation of the new instrument by Delegate Eugene Withers, of Danville. The result, however, was no accomplished until there had been quite a pretty little pattle between the pro clamation and submission forces.

The crowd, while not a very large on seemed deeply interested, and not only cheered Mr. Withers to the echo, but showed much spirit over the adoption of the resolutions.

The meeting was under the auspices of the Madison Ward Democratic Club, and was called to order by President Thomas W. Walsh at 8:30 o'clock. A number of convention members were present, and including Democrats not residents in the ward, the audience was a fairly goodsized one. Ward Superintendent Mine tree Folkes presided permanently, and in a few well chosen words introduced Mr

WAS CLEAR AND FORCEFUL.

In a clear and forecful manner the junior member from Danville took up and explained the new instrument section by section, beginning with the Bill of Rights and ending with the suffrage clause, and was often interrupted with flattering applause. He dwelt at length upon the more impertant subjects under consideration, and when he declared that he would have resigned his seat in the convention before he would have voted against the corporation measure, there was long, continued applause.

ontinued applause.

Mr. Withers' speech was one of the ablest heard in Madison Ward in a long time, and every voter present seemed to greatly enjoy it. When he had concluded the meeting gave him a unanimous vote of thanks on motion of Mr. J. F. Flourney.

FOR PROCLAMATION. As soon as Mr. Flourney's motion was adopted Mr. Joseph C. Taylor offered the

following resolution:
"Whereas, the Democratic voters of Madison Ward, in meeting assembled, are desirous of giving some declaration of their position on the question of sub-mitting or proclaiming the new Consti-tution; therefore, be it

"Resolved (1). That we do hereby ex press our appreciation of the conscientious manner in which the members of the convention have so nobly accomplished the purposes for which the convention

was called.

"(2) That feeling as we do so entirely satisfied with the result of their labors, believing the new Constitution to be entirently worthy of Virginia's past and a fit instrument for the safeguard of her future, we do hereby declare it to be the sense of this meeting that the new Constitution should be proclaimed, and that we do hereby gladly release any and all numbers of the convention from any obligation which they may feel that they owe to us to submit the Constitution to us for ratification.

us for ratification."

CAUSED MUCH DEBATE.

Mr. Taylor spoke briefly but in an eloquent manner for his resolution, and exsenator H. A. Atkinson, Messrs, George McD. Blake and Charles Millhiser opposed it, taking the ground that the meeting had no right to take such action. Mr. Atkinson talked about revolutions and other awful things that might come if the convention should vote to proclaim, and said the body would trample upon the dearest rights of the people if it did not

keep its pledge.

There were loud cries of "vote!" "vote!" and a motion was made to adjourn. It order that none but Madison Ward Demo crats might vote, the chair required that they stand, and he delegated the two they stand, and he delegated the two newspaper men present to count. This motion to adjourn was defeated by a vote of 14 to 22, and by a vote of 20 to 16 the resolution of Mr. Taylor was adopted amid applause, and the body adjourned sine die.

#### Qualified All Pledges.

During the debate on the question of proclaiming the Constitution allusion has been frequently made to the anti-elec-tion pleages of members of the con-vention. Captain Wise, in his speech, appealed especially to his Richmond col-leagues to vote for submission to the present electorate, on account of pro-mises which had been made by them. Examination of the newspaper files shows that during the canvass in Richmond, the candidates, in their reply to the question of the Central Trades and Labor Union, declared themselves in fa-for of submission, prefacing their reply by saying:

We reserve absolutely the right to change any views which we may here express, if, after a fuller examination into the questions, we become satisfied that our present views are erroneous. We are aware that we are asking of the people a large trust, but we are also aware that we propose to assume a responsibility equally as large. Believing that it will be best for the people and for their representatives that the latter should go to the convention unhampered by irrevocable pledges, we desire this to be clearly understood in reference to the answers herein given."
Mr. Pollard further replied in an-

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# NEW BUILDING FOR RICHMOND

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 28.—Rich-nond will get \$175,099 for the purchase of a site for a new public building. After a very tough fight in conference, the Senand House conferees reported the

ate and House conferees reported the bill this morning.

There is some very interesting inside history connected with the Richmond matter that will bear telling. The original House bill, it will be recalled, carried an appropriation of \$75,000 for the purchase of the Shafer property. This, of course, was inadequate. The bill then came up in the Senate and was referred to the Senate Committee on Public Buildto the Senate Committee on Public Build-ings and Grounds. Senator Martin, after obtaining infor-

mation from Richmond as to the value of the property in question, offered an amendment increasing the appropriation to \$200,000, and he and Senator Daniel both appeared before the committee and urged its adoption. Senator Fairbanks, chairman of the Senate Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds would not gree to this amendment, however, on the ground of its swelling the appropriation shown on the face of the bill. Then, on the floor of the Senate, just as the bill vas about to be reported, Senator Martin got him to agree to the amendment pro-viding for condemnation proceedings. The amendment was very cleverly worded and made no mention of any limit of cost. Neither did it show any increase of appropriation on the face of the bill. This passed the Senate with the rest of

jected to (this is the usual way with appropriation bills), and a conference asked. Then the real fight began.

Representative Mercer, for the House conferees, said flatly he would not agree to the amendment. The Senate conferees stood by it. It was passed over as a disputed matter. This was Monday. Tuesday morning was appointed for its further consideration, and 10 o'clock the time set for Senator Martin to be heard ime set for Senator Martin to be heard by the Conference Committee.

Senator Martin appealed to the Senate and had half hour private talk with Mr.
Mercer. The result was Mercer agreed
to a limit of \$175,000. Senator Martin did not give up hope, but made a final effort to-day to get \$200,000, but did not suc-

"I am not against Richmond," said Mr. Mercer, in speaking of the matter, "but I heard the Shafer property and its values discussed when I was down there, and I was given to understand it could be had for \$125,000. Some said \$75,000, some \$100,000, but the highest estimate was \$125,000. 000, but the highest estimate was \$1.5,000. I have agreed to \$175,000 upon Senator Martin's personal request, and I feel confident that this amount will purchase the property." The bill authorizes condemnation proceedings, "provided the price paid under such proceedings shall not exceed \$175,000. If the property cannot be had for that amount, Richmond must look to the next Congress for her public

Abducting the Woman He

Wanted to Marry.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.

NORFOLK, VA., May 28.-Abraham

Tauber was before Police Justice Taylor

this morning charged in a warrant,

sworn out by H. Hymanson, with en-

ticing away from said Hymanson's

home, Hymanson's sister. Emma, and

holding her against her desire. The story

told in court was that Tauber was en-

gaged to marry Miss Hymanson, and

her home was not congenial; that he sent

her to New York aboard the Old Do-

minion ship, which sailed last night, and

that the meant to follow her to New

No one was able to unravel the case

and the hearing was postponed until

June 5th, by which date it is hoped by

June 5th, by which date it is noped by the authorities that they may be able to find out something about it.

Tauber's counsel. Attorney Daniel Coleman, Jr., this evening sued out a writ of habeas corpus, by which he seeks to get his client out of jail. This is returnable in the Corporation Court tomorrow morning. Tauber, who is a tailor, says he meant to follow Miss Hymanson and marry her. This is gen-

manson and marry her. This is gen-erally believed to have been his pur-

York and marry her.

#### IN JAIL INSTEAD OF TRANSFER OF MARRIAGE ALTAR THE CAPTAINS

Police Commissioners May Make Abraham Tauber Charged With Some Changes—Election Next Week.

The June meeting of the Board of Po-lice Commissioners will prove to be a most interesting one. Twenty-four men will be up for re-election, and the ques-lon of placing Sergeant Allen, of the Second District, will come up. Some changes will be made in the pres-

ent detail of captains, it was stated yes terday by a person who is well posted on such matters, although Major Howard said last night that he knew nothing

The movement is to put Captain Tom-linson at the Third Station, Captain Hulce at headquarters, Captain Whitlock at the Second Station, and Captain Angle at the First Station

at the First Station.

The publication of the proposed changes yesterday afternoon was a surprise to the men and to the citizens generally.

Sergeants Allen and Cousins will be re-Sergeants Atlen and Cousins will be street Acting Sergeants Tyler and Barfoot are nominated to succeed Sergeant Cousins, and Acting Sergeants Wyatt, Balley and Farley are candidates to succeed Sergeant Allen in the Second.

The annual inspection of the force wil the annual inspection of the force was be held previous to the meeting, each district going on review at the station-houses. The inspection at the First will be conducted by Commissioners Manning and Welsh; Second, Bosher and Weinbrunn: Third, Jacob and Laube.

Commissioner Weinbrunn, of Jackson

Ward, who comes up for re-election at the meeting of the new Council, has a hard fight on his hands. His principal opponent is Councilman McCarthy, who is making an active canvass.

### RUN OVER AND KILLED.

Conductor Robert G. Lane, Fell Under His Train.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
BLUEFIELD, W. VA., May 28.—Robert G. Lane, conductor, was run over and killed early this morning near Jug Neck, about five miles cast of Vicker's Switch, near here. He was attempting to board his train and fell under and his right leg was severed near the knee. He was brought to this city and died at 11:30 o'clock this morning.

He was about twenty-five years of age. His home is at Roanoke, Va., and he leaves a wife and three children. The remains were shipped to Montgomery, Va., this evening for interment.

#### FIGHTING BOERS.

Major Collett and His Mounted Troops Engaged for Hours.

Engaged for Hours.

(By Associated Press.)

MIDDLEBURG, TRANSVAAL, May 28.—Major Collett, with a detachment of the mounted troops of this district, encountered a force of Boers on the Repon Road May 27th. The engagement which followed lasted for a long time; the enemy finally drawing off, leaving behind them on the field Commandant Malon, who was mortally wounded.

An armored train engaged the same party of Boers the evening of May 27th, but no details of the latter engagement are at hand.

## REFUSED TO "SHAKE" AND WAS KILLED

Joseph Blount Crushed to Death by an Infuriated Ele-

phant. (By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, May 28.—"Tops," a fe-male clephant of the Forepaugh and Sells Circus, killed a man to-day at the show-grounds of the circus in Brooklyn. The victim was Joseph Blount, of Fort Wayne, Ind.

Fort Wayne, Ind.

He went to the elephant's enclosure, where the animals were waiting for their breakfast and each stuck out his trunk to "shake hands" as Blount passed down in front of them, it being the custom of the trainers to salute each elephant with a gentle tap. Blount had a beer glass in his hand and when he approached "Tors" he shoved it at her approached "Tops" he shoved it at her instead of giving the usual greeting. Ims act seemed to offend the great beast. In an instant she seized the man with her trunk and after hurling him violently to the ground, knelt on him and crushed him to death. Keepers came to the res-cut too late. They drove "Tops" back and removed the body.

### THE BOILER OF ENGINE DEFECTIVE

This Was the Verdict of the Coroner's Jury.

THE INQUEST PYESTERDAY

Several Witnesses Gave Testimony as to Accident.

FUNERAL OF MR. GWATHNEY

Great Crowd Turns Out to Pay Their Tribute of Respect to the Memory of the Engineer. Who Lost

His Life by the Blowing Up of the En-

City of Manchester, to wit:

An inquisition taken at Atlantic Coast Line depot in the City of Manchester, on the 28th day of May, in the year 1902, before John W. Brodnax, coroner of the said city of Manchester, upon view of the body of Robert L. Gwathney, the jurors sworn to enquire when, how, and by what means the said Robert L. Gwathney came to his death, upon their oaths do say that we believe the said Robert L. Gwathney came to his death on the morning of the 27th of May, 1902, at about 5.12 a. m., between Hull and Bainbridge streets on the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad in the city of Manchester, by the explosion of the boiler of engine No. 60 of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, and we believe from the evidence here before us that the cause of said explosion was due to a defective boiler of said engine No. 60 of A. C. L. Railroad.

J. W. PUCKETT,
N. J. WILLIAMS,
JAMES R. HOLLIDAY,
F. JONES,
GEORGE IL JONES,
R. D. BAILEY,

JOHN W. BRODNAX, M. D.

The verdict of the Coroner's jury at an inquest held yesterday to determine who was responsible for the explosion of engine No. 60 of the Atlantic Coast Line Tuesday morning, resulting in the instant death of Engineer Robert Gwathney, a well-known citizen of Man-

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# CLOSE STREET FOR FACTORY

Tobacco Company for permission to close West Clay Street that it may erect a large tobacco manufacturing plant, to over two squares. The committee decided to meet at Clay and Bowe Streets at 4 o'clock this afternoon to look over the ground, after which a meeting will be held at the City Hall at 5 o'clock, when the matter will be taken up.

The communication to the Council sets forth that the company has secured opions on two city squares in the western part of the city. These squares are now divided by Clay Street. The company proposes to build a plant, the main buildng of which will front on Bowe Street for a distance of 646 feet from Leigh Street, southward, if Clay Street is closed. The two squares upon which the company has secured options are those north of Broad Street and Richmond College, between Lombardy and Bowe Streets, and bounded on the north and south by Leigh Street and the Richmond, Freder-

'Relation of Weather to Disease'

Theme of Popular Discourses

by Director Evans.

The Medical College of Virginia will

ntroduce two series of lectures into the

course next session, which are absolutely

One series will have to do with the

relation of the weather with disease.

It will be delivered by no less a person

han Farmer Evans, of the Weather Bu-

Mr. Evans will not become a member

of the faculty of the college, as he is

not allowed to connect himself with any

institution, but he agrees to lecture on

the theme given above, and physicians

all assert the influence the state of the

weather has upon the progress of dis-

This course will not only be helpful to

loctors, but the edification will extend

to the general public, as it is expected

that several of the lectures will be de-

ivered before public audiences.

unique in Virginia.

OF LECTURES

UNIQUE SERIES

AN IMMENSE FACTORY.

The communication was signed by E.

C. Mayo, as business manager of the P H. Mayo and Brother branch of the Con tinental Company. The factory, if built, dred hands, and would be a most valuable addition to Richmond's manufacturing enterprises. There is little doubt that the city will grant the request of the com pany, as Clay Street is not a thoroughfare at this point and will never be used. Other cities, Petersburg among them are bidding for the new factory. It is believed, however, that it will be built here if suitable advantages of location can be

secured. The company states that it is purposed to make the factory one of very large capacity, exceeding its present plant in Richmond, and of thoroughmodern equipment and construction The company desires to close Clay from Bowe to Lombardy and to open Lombardy on the western side of the property. This property is just within the city, as Lombardy Street is the line. The company also asks for water mains and fire plugs

**NEW AUDITORIUM** 

NOW ON THE WAY

Ways and Means Committee Ap-

pointed by Conference of

Representative Men.

The conference yesterday afternoon re-

garding the erection and ownership of a hall or auditorium by several organiza-

tions of the city, resulted in the appoint-

ment of a Committee on Ways and

Means which is to report practical sug-gestions on next Wednesday afternoon. The conference was held at the office

of Mr. B. F. Johnson and the following were among those present as represen-tatives of the organizations: Mr. John-

son. Mr. A. Hoen, and Miss Williams,

of the Art Club; Mr. H. T. Meloney, of the Wednesday Club; Dr. Henry C. Jones, of the Lyceum; Dr. Winn, of the

Academy of Medicine and Surgery; Mr. W. S. Copeland and Mr. John Stewart Bryan, of the Richmond Education As-

sociation; Dr. Greer Baughman and Dr.

### CRISIS PENDING IN MINERS' STRIKE

Engineers, Firemen and Pump Men Will Join Ranks.

#### OPERATORS HOLD MEETING

They Continue to Swear in Special Officers for Defense.

#### SYMPATHETIC STRIKE LIKELY

Frank P. Sargent, Member of the National Board of Arbitration Says if Strike is Not Settled Within

> Eight Weeks, That Bituminous Miners Will Go Out in Sympathy.

(By Associated Press.) WILKESBARRE, PA., May 28.-The officers of the United Mine Workers of this city held a meeting here to-day and reptions appointed to interview the englneers, firemen and pumpmen employed at the various collicries in this city and vicinity. These representatives, so it was stated after the meeting, showed that very few of the firemen and pumpmen were found who were unwilling to join the striking miners next Monday unless they were granted an eight-hour day. There were some engineers who said they would not que work, but it claimed they are comparatively few in

numbers.
Some coal operators and superintendents held a secret meeting at one of the coal offices to-day. It is understood there was a general discussion of the strike situation and what steps should be taken to protect the properties of the coal companies in case of trouble. The big coal companies continue to swear in special officers.

#### BITUMINOUS MINERS.

hey May Strike in Sympathy if Matter is Not Speedily Settled.

(By Associated Press.)
ST. LOUIS, MO., May 28.—Frank P.,
Sargent, member of the National Board
of Arbitration, of which Senator Hanna. is chairman, is in St. Louis. Mr. Sargent is of opinion that if the strike of anthra-cite miners shall not be settled within the next eight or ten days, there probably will be a sympathetic strike in the bituminous fields. Mr. Sargent said to the Associated Press: "The individual members of the Na-

tional Board of Arbitration are using their best efforts to bring about a settlement of the strike. 'Last week the members of the board

met with the operators and representa-tives of the United Mine Workers of America, in an effort to secure concessions from either side that would be the means of settling the strike. The operators refused to arbitrate or to concede a single point, and President Mit-chell was obliged to return to the head-quariers of his order with nothing to offer the miners. They accordingly struck for the advance in wages asked

York, both sides were standing firm, and from the condition of things. I think the country will see a bitter contest. I was told by President that the miners were never in better financial condition than now to enter a strike, and they are confident of wina strike, and they are confident of winning. For some time the anthracite
miners have had plenty of work and
have been able to lay by money. President Mitchell is of opinion that they will
be able to hold out at least six months,
"I am of opinion that if the strike shall
not be settled within the next eight
or ten days, miners in the bituminous
fields will be asked to go out in sympathy for their eastern brethren. A convention of bituminous miners to decide
what action to take in the matter is

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# FUTILE ATTEMPT TO EXAMINE THE CRATER OF MONT PELEE

Professor Hill Acknowledged That He Was Terrified, but Says There Were Others - He Took Some Valuable Photographs.

(By Associated Press.)
FORT DE FRANCE, MARTINIQUE, May 28, 5 P. M.-A tremendous explosion of very black smoke from Mont Pelee at a quarter before 9 o'clock this morning accentuated the fear entertained for the safety of George Kennan, the Amerthe safety of George Kennan, the American author, who, with a land party, has been examining the northern part of the island. The Governor of Martinique, M. L'Huerre, was at once seen, with the object of arranging for a rescue party to proceed by land, in connection with the voyage along the coast of the United States crulser Cincinnati, should such steps appear necessary. At about 11 ject of arranging for a rescue party to proceed by land, in connection with the voyage along the coast of the United States cruiser Cincinnati, should such steps appear necessary. At about 11 o'clock this morning Fernand Clerc, a wealthy landed proprietor of Martinique, arrived here and announced that Mr. Kennan and his party were safe on a plantation at the north end of the island. Professor Robert T. Hill, United States Government geologist and head of the expedition sent to Martinique by the National Geographic Society, who left Fort de France Monday on horseback for the volcano, returned here this morning. He was completely worn out by his trip. Professor Hill heard the explosion of this morning while on his way into Ford de France, and he says a cloud of black snoke, at a great height, was drifting slowly to the southeast.

Speaking personally of his expedition to Mont Pelee, Professor Hill sald:

"My attempt to examine the crater of Mont Pelee has been futile. Isucceeded, however, in getting very close to Morne Rouge, At7 o'clock Monday night I witnessed, from a point near the ruins of St Pierre, a frightful explosion from Mont Pelee and noted the accompanying phenomena. While these eruptions continue, no sane man should attempt to ascend to the crater of the olcane. Following the salvos of detonations from the mountain, gigantic muchroom-shaped columns of smoke and cinders ascended into the clear starilt sky and then spread in a vast black sheet, to the south and directly over my head. Through this.

into the clear starilt sky and then spread in a vast black sheet, to the south and directly over my head. Through this, sheet, which extended a distance of ten miles from the crater, wivid and awful lightning-like bolts flashed with alarming frequency. They followed distinct paths of ignation, but were different from lightning in that the bolts were horizontal and not perpendicular. This is indisputable evidence of the explosive oxidation of the gases after they left the

explained. The volcano is still intensely active, and I cannot make any predictions as to what it will do."

BOILNG HOT.

The story related by Mr. Clerc is also quite interesting. Mr. Clerc says:

Mr. Kennan and his party have been with me. We got around the moun-

## PLATFORM FALLS AT STAUNTON CARNIVAL

A Number of Persons Injured. The Largest Crowd in the History of the City.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) STAUNTON, VA., May 28.-While about sixty spectators were on the platform of the wholesale house of Bowling, Spott & Company this evening watching the aerial acrobats perform, the platform gave way, falling a distance of fifteen feet to the ground.

A number were injured. Among those seriously hurt were Mrs. M. W. Bucher and Alice Lightner, of the county. Mrs. Bucher was taken to the hospital. Fifteen thousand or more attended the idation of the gases after they left the crater. This is a most complete observation and explains, in part, the awful catastrophe. This phenominon is en-Carnival to-day. It was undoubtedly the

tirely new in volcanic history.

"I took many photographs, but do not hesitate to acknowledge that I was terrified. But I was not the only person so frightened. Two newspaper correspondents who were close to Morne Rouge some hours before me became scared, ran three miles down the mountain and hastemed into Fort de France.

"The people on the north end of the island are trrified and are fleeing with their cattle and effects. I spent Tuesday night in a house at Deux Choux with a crowd of 200 frightened refugees.

"Nearly all the phenomena of tiese volcanic outbreaks are new to science, and many of them have not yet been explained. The volcano is still intensely active, and I cannot make any predictions as to what it will do."

BOULNG HOT.

BRIGHT LIGHT VISIBLE.

"Mr. Kennan witnessed the explosion
of Monday night and was much interestof Monday hight and was mach match and control of into phenomena. The xplosion was accompanied, at intervals, by a bright light, which lasted for half an hour at a time. This light was steady and illuminated the entire mountain top. Prof. Hill says he did not see this light. I left Mr. Kennan and his party in good health and in safety. They seemed to be in no hurry to come back to Fort de

The explosion of this morning was ac companied by an enormous column of smoke, which rose fully three miles into the air, but which was largely hidden from the view of the people of Fort de France by a heavy cumulus. There was, consequently, no panic here. This column of smoke was seen from the British cruiser Indefatigable while she was at

sea.
The Indefatigable arrived here this mrning to make another attempt to re-cover the body of the British consul at St. Pierre, Mr. Jepp, and the archives of the consulate. With this end in view the British cruiser proceeded this afternoon for St. Pierre, but the explosion of this morning has probably made it impossible to effect a landing there.

Lumber for Martinique

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
NORFOLK, VA., May 28.—The
United States collier Hannibal
sailed to-day for San Juan and Martinique. The Hannibal after delivering a cargo of coal at San Juan will proceed a cargo of coal at san Juan will proceed to Martinique and land 348,000 feet of lumber to be used in constructing tem-porary homes for the volcano sufferers. The Hannibal also has a quantity of provisions for the refugees.

### T. D. Merrick. Mr. Johnson was made chairman of the meeting. Each representative was requested to suggest what sort of building woud be suited to the needs of all. The responses disclosed a variety of ideas and the necessity of a definite plan. So it was decided to have a committee con-

livered before public audiences.

The other course of lectures will have to deal with the examination of applicants for life insurance. Dr. H. Cabell Tabb. medical director of the Life Insurance Company of Virginia, will deliver them. He will outline for the students of the college the chief, aspects of physical examinations for the purposes of life insurance, companies. This series will be more technical than that of the director of the Weather Bureau, Mr. Evans. sider nature of hall suited to the needs of all and the ways and means of se-curing it and report back at as early a date an possible. The committee was named as follows: Mr. Hoen, Art Club; Mr. Meloney, Wednesday Club; Mr. Jones, Lyceum; Dr. Winn, Academy of Medicine: Mr. Copeland, the Educational Association. These gentlemen will give the members of the conference the benefit of their deliberations at the meeting on Wednesday evening of next week.

#### LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEERS.

They Spend the Day Electing Salaried

(By Associated Press.)

NORFOLK, VA., May 28.—Both the morning and afternoon sessions of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers' convention here to-day were devoted to the election of salaried officers, with the exception of a short period duving the afternoon, when a discussion relative to the legislative board of the State of New York was begun and carried over until to-morrow.

A. B. Youngson was re-elected assistant grand chief engineer.

T. S. Ingraham was re-elected first grand engineer. Deloss Everett was elected third grand

engineer.
As the terms of Grand Chief Arthur and Second Grand Engineer Salmons wil not expire until two years hence, the election of to-day completed the filling of salaried positions.

To-morrow the convention will begin balloting on the offices of first, second and third grand assistant engineer, grand uide and grand chaplain.

# LADY INJURED BY A BAD FALL

Mrs. Elizabeth Redford Will Hardly Recover from Her Injuries. Mrs. Elizabeth Redford, of No. 321

South Cherry Street, fell down the stair-steps at her home about 11 o'clock yesterday morning, sustaining serious and probably fatal injuries. She struck on her head with great force, fracturing the skull at the base of the brain and receiving internal injuries. Up to a late hour last night she had not returned to con-sciousness. Dr. R. E. Franklin was called in. He regarded her condition as slightly more favorable last night, but entertained but little hope of Mrs. Reuford's recovery. The fracture of the skull was of an exceedingly serious character. Mrs. Redford's advanced age and feebleness (she is over seventy) also cperates against her chances of recu-peration. 'An operation had been found to be impracticable in view of the pa-tient's condition. For some years Mrs. Redford has lived on Cherry Street with her daughter.

Designs Placed To-Day.

The designs for the Davis arch will be taken to the Capitol to-day and put in to piace for exhibition. So far models have come from Mr. Story. Mr. Gudebrod.

Mrs. Julia H. Montgomery and Mr. Couper. The latter gentleman is expected to-day, and Mr. Gudebrod is already here.

Ticket. adjourns with a demonstration over Hanna.

Stock market very duil, and the small gains made were mostly lost by profit taking before the close.

Maniac in Georgia asylum pulled the queue of Chinese ambassador, causing him excruciating pain.

Bituminous miners may go on strike in sympathy with the anthracite men unless matter is soon adjusted.

### what action to take in the matter is

SUMMARY OF THE NEWS FORECAST

Forecast: Thursday fair; Friday fais and warmer; variable winds. LOCAL

Mrs. Elizabeth Redford badly hurt by Mrs. Elizabeth Redford badly hurt by falling down steps.
Convention to vote to-day on proclaime ing or submitting the Constitution.
Madison Ward Democrats declare in factor of proclaiming the new Constitution.
Coroner Brodnax holds inquest upon the body of Engineer Gwathney.
Interesting sessions of the West Richemond District Conference held.
May be a "shaking up" of the officers in the three police districts.
Alleged escaped convict from Alabams penitentiary arrested in Henrico.
Petition of Continental Tobacro Company before the Street Committee.

VIRGINIA The Democrats of Middlesex declare in favor of proclaiming the Constitution.
Congressman Jones has no opposition and will be declared the nominee.
Abraham Thauber arrested for abducts ing the woman he wants to wed.

Fred. Baughman sentenced for 5 years in Middlesex for attempted criminal as-

sault.
Two men drowned in Chesapeake Bay by the boat capsizing.
A platform falls at the Staunton Carnival and a number of people are hurt.
The locomotive engineers at Norfolk elect salaried officers.
The Southern Virginia Diocesan Council settle the contention of Bruton Parish.
Young man killed by pulley belt in extract works at Big Stone Gap.

GENERAL

GENERAL Senate agrees to vote on the Philippine government bill on Tuesday next. House spent the day in consideration of the bill for the collage of subsidiary

Professor Hill. Government geologist, makes futile effort to visit the crater of Mont Pelee. Was terrified, but consoles himself that others were as badly scared. Ohio convention, after nominating at ticket, adjourns with a demonstration over Hanna